

In the Claims

Please add claims 53-64 as follows:

53. (New) A connection module, comprising:

- a) a housing having a front, a rear, a top and a bottom, the housing defining an interior;
- b) a telecommunications cable that enters the housing at the bottom, the telecommunications cable including a plurality of optical fibers, the optical fibers having ends located within the interior of the housing;
- c) optical connectors positioned at the ends of the optical fibers; and
- d) a plurality of adapters, each of the adapters including:
 - i) a first end located within the interior of the housing, the first end being configured to connect to the optical connector at the end of one of the optical fibers; and
 - ii) a second end accessible from outside the housing, the second end being angled downward from the front of the housing.

54. (New) The connection module of claim 53, wherein the telecommunications cable is attached to the housing by a cable clamp.

55. (New) The connection module of claim 54, wherein the cable clamp is located outside of the housing.

56. (New) The connection module of claim 54, wherein the cable clamp is located within a notched region formed in the bottom and the rear of the housing.

57. (New) The connection module of claim 53, wherein the adapters are SC type adapters.

58. (New) A connection module, comprising:

- a) a housing having a front, a rear, a top and a bottom, the housing defining an interior;
- b) a telecommunications cable that enters the housing through a cable opening located at the bottom of the housing, the telecommunications cable including a plurality of optical fibers, the optical fibers having ends located within the interior of the housing;
- c) optical connectors provided at the ends of the optical fibers;
- d) the front of the housing defining a plurality of front openings; and
- e) a plurality of adapters providing connection locations at the front of the housing, the adapters being mounted within the front openings defined at the front of the housing, the adapters including:
 - i) first ends located within the interior of the housing for receiving the optical connectors provided at the ends of the optical fibers; and
 - ii) second ends accessible from outside the housing for receiving optical connectors located outside of the housing;
- f) wherein the adapters are angled such that the second ends of the adapters face downwardly.

59. (New) The connection module of claim 58, wherein the connection module includes at least two vertical rows of adapters at the front of the housing.

60. (New) The connection module of claim 58, wherein the connection module includes only two vertical rows of adapters at the front of the housing.

61. (New) The connection module of claim 58, wherein the telecommunications cable is clamped to the housing.

62. (New) The connection module of claim 58, wherein the housing includes a first mounting flange located at the top of the housing and a second mounting flange located at the bottom of the housing.

63. (New) The connection module of claim 62, wherein the first mounting flange defines at least one fastener opening and the second mounting flange defines at least one fastener opening.

64. (New) he connection module of claim 58, wherein the adapters are SC type adapters.